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# THE GREEK WORLD WAR: THE PELOPONNESIAN WAR

## Close Reading

After the Persian Wars, there were two different Leagues in Greece. The Delian League was led by \_\_\_\_\_ and had a good \_\_\_\_\_ but a \_\_\_\_\_ navy. Athens was connected to its \_\_\_\_\_ city walls. These made sure the Athenians could get access to the \_\_\_\_\_ in order to get food. The second League was the \_\_\_\_\_ League and was led by Sparta and their skilled army. \_\_\_\_\_, a Greek city-state with a powerful \_\_\_\_\_, was also part of the Peloponnesian League.

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ allied together to defeat the Persians even though they did not get along. They signed a \_\_\_\_\_ treaty that was supposed to last for 30 years, but they started fighting before that. Corinth had a \_\_\_\_\_ called Corcyra. Corcyra had the second largest navy in Greece and did not belong to either League. If Corcyra were to be \_\_\_\_\_ by the Peloponnesian League, the League would have both a powerful army and a powerful navy. Corcyra convinced Athens to protect them from Corinth and the Peloponnesian League. Athenian sailors began fighting with \_\_\_\_\_, which made Sparta angry because they were allies with Corinth.

When Athens stopped all ports in the Delian League from \_\_\_\_\_ with Sparta and her allies, the Spartans were \_\_\_\_\_. They asked Athens to stop because the Spartans knew that if they started a war, it would continue for generations.

However, the \_\_\_\_\_ said they would not stop. The Spartans were concerned about the way Athenians were expanding their \_\_\_\_\_, so they voted for war. \_\_\_\_\_ brought all Athenian citizens inside the city \_\_\_\_\_ so they would be safe and have access to food. He hoped the Spartans would get bored and \_\_\_\_\_.

Unfortunately, a plague broke out because the people were living so close together. People usually died within a \_\_\_\_\_ of becoming sick. The illness killed between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Athenians for the \_\_\_\_\_ years it lasted. Even Pericles was killed. Frustrated, the Athenians decided to leave their city and fight the \_\_\_\_\_. They tried to keep the battles on the \_\_\_\_\_ to use their navy. The Spartans tried to keep the battles on land to use their \_\_\_\_\_. Neither side was clearly winning.

Alcibiades was Pericles' nephew and was \_\_\_\_\_ to lead the Athenians. Alcibiades was a strange man and many Athenians suspected he had \_\_\_\_\_ a statue of Hermes before setting off for battle. This would have \_\_\_\_\_ the gods, but no proof could be found. Before the Battle at Sicily, Alcibiades switched sides and started fighting for \_\_\_\_\_! This battle ended in disaster for Athens and it looked like they would lose the war.

While he was leading the Spartans, Alcibiades formed a friendship with \_\_\_\_\_, Greece's old enemy. He suggested that Persia \_\_\_\_\_ helping Sparta so that the Athenians and Spartans would weaken each other, making it easier for Persia to conquer both. The Greek city-states fought with each other for a few more years until none were left strong enough to fight off invading civilizations.